

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

| | | |
|---------------------------|---|----------------------------|
| In re Application of |) | |
| |) | |
| David Mack |) | Group Art Unit: 1631 |
| |) | |
| Serial No. TBA |) | Examiner: M. Allen |
| (Cont. of 09/341,302) |) | |
| |) | |
| Filed: September 03, 1999 |) | Atty. Dkt. No. 03848.81697 |

For: **EXPRESSION MONITORING FOR GENE FUNCTION**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Before examination on the merits, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, line 4, please substitute the following paragraph:

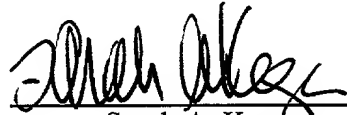
This application claims the priority of the U.S. Provisional Application, Serial No. 60035327, attorney docket No. 3004, filed on Jan. 13, 1997 and U.S. Provisional Application, Serial No. 60049627, filed on June 13, 1997. This application is a continuation of U.S. Application Ser. No. 09/341,302 which is a 371 of PCT/US98/01206, filed January 12, 1998.

Applicants believe there is no fee associated with the filing of this paper. However, if this is incorrect, please charge our Deposit Account No. 19-0733 for any deficiencies associated with the filing of this paper.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: July 25, 2001

By:



Sarah A. Kagan
Registration No. 32,141

Banner & Witcoff, Ltd.
1001 G Street, N.W., Suite 1100
Washington, D.C. 20001-4597
(202) 508-9100

FOR THE COURT

MARKED-UP VERSION

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, line 1,

This application claims the priority of the U.S. Provisional Application, Serial No. 60035327, attorney docket No. 3004, filed on Jan. 13, 1997 and U.S. Provisional Application, Serial No. 60049627, filed on June 13, 1997. This application is a continuation of U.S. Application Ser. No. 09/341,302, which is a 371 of PCT/US98/01206 filed January 12, 1998. ~~This application is related to U.S. Application U.S. Application Ser. No. 08/529,115 filed on September 15, 1995, U.S. Application Ser. No. 08/670,118 filed on June 25, 1996, which is a division of U.S. Application Ser. No. 08/168,904 filed December 15, 1993, which is a continuation of U.S. Application Ser. No. 07/624,114 filed December 6, 1990. U.S. Application Ser. No. 07/624,114 is a CIP of U.S. Application Ser. No. 07/362,901 filed June 7, 1990. All of the above applications are incorporated herein by reference.~~

TO BE REMOVED